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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Denisa D. Wagner and Robert C. Johnson  
Serial No. 08/948,393  
Filed: October 10, 1997  
For: METHOD FOR TREATING AND PREVENTING ATHEROSCLEROSIS  
Examiner: K. Fonda  
Art Unit: 1623

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, DC 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated April 14, 1998,  
please amend the application as follows.

REMARKS

The Office Action

Claims 1-13, 19, 20, 23-38 and 40-47 are under examination.  
Claims 1-12, 26-38 and 44-47 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112,  
first paragraph. Claims 13, 25 and 41 are rejected under 35  
U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Claims 1-13, 19, 20, 23-38 and  
40-47 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103. Claims 1-12, 19, 20,  
26-38 and 40-47 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103.

35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph

Claims 1-12, 26-38 and 44-47 have been rejected under 35  
U.S.C. §112, first paragraph. The Examiner states that:

[T]he instant claims cover every conceivable means for  
achieving the stated purpose....

Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.